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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the

application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) Attachment means for attaching a conductor to a hearing

aid having a hearing aid housing with a hearing aid housing wall, said attachment means defining

a sound conduit and being adapted to be located partially in said hearing aid housing wall, so as

to have a first part located in said hearing aid housing wall and a second part protruding through

an aperture in said hearing aid housing wall, said first part having means for interlocking with

the hearing aid housing in an assembled state thereof.

(Canceled)

(Original) Attachment means according to claim 1, wherein said first part

comprises means for interlocking with the hearing aid housing and a carrier for electronics in the

hearing aid in an assembled state thereof.

4. (Previously Presented) Attachment means according to claim 1, wherein said

second part is generally cylindrical and comprises a thread.

5. (Previously Presented) Attachment means according to claim 1, wherein said

second part comprises a catch means.

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6. (Original) Attachment means according to claim 5, wherein said catch means

comprises a barb.

7. (Original) Attachment means according to claim 6, wherein said barb is

circumferential.

8. (Currently Amended) A hearing aid housing for a BTE hearing aid, said housing

comprising a housing wall and an attachment means for attaching a conductor, said attachment

means comprising an attachment means defining a sound conduit and being located partially in

said hearing aid housing wall, so as to have a first part located in said housing wall and a second

part protruding through an aperture in said hearing aid housing wall, said attachment means

 $\underline{having\ means\ for\ interlocking\ with\ the\ hearing\ aid\ housing\ in\ an\ assembled\ state\ thereof}.$

9. (Original) A hearing aid housing according to claim 8, wherein said hearing aid

housing wall comprises means for interlocking with said attachment means.

10. (Previously Presented) A hearing aid housing according to claim 8, wherein said

means for interlocking with said attachment means comprises a recess formed in said housing

wall.

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11. (Currently Amended) A hearing aid housing according to claim 8, wherein said

attachment means comprises means for interlocking with said housing wall and a carrier for

electronics in the hearing aid.

12. (Currently Amended) A BTE hearing aid comprising a hearing aid housing with a

housing wall and an attachment means for attaching a conductor, said attachment means

comprising an interchangeable part having a first and a second part, said second part protruding

from said hearing aid housing through an aperture in said housing wall, said interchangeable part

having a through bore.

(Original) A BTE hearing aid according to claim 12, wherein said hearing aid and

said attachment means comprise mutually interlocking means.

(Original) A BTE hearing aid according to claim 13, wherein said second part of

said interchangeable part comprises a generally cylindrical surface with an external thread.

15. (Original) A BTE hearing aid according to claim 13, wherein said second part of

said interchangeable part comprises a generally cylindrical surface with at least one catch means.

16. (Original) A BTE hearing aid according to claim 14, wherein said catch means

comprises a barb.

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17. (Original) A BTE hearing aid according to claim 16, wherein said barb is a

circumferential barb.

18. (Previously Presented) A BTE hearing aid according to claim 16, wherein said

barb is located at the distal end of said second part.

Claims 19-21 (Canceled)

22. (New) A hearing aid having a hearing aid housing with a hearing aid housing

wall, a conductor, and attachment means for attaching the conductor to the hearing aid, said

attachment means defining a sound conduit and being located partially in said hearing aid

housing wall so as to have a first part located in said hearing aid housing wall and a second part

protruding through an aperture in said hearing aid housing wall, said first part having means for

interlocking with the hearing aid housing in an assembled state thereof.